REMARKS

Claims 1-19 were pending of which Claims 1 and 3 were rejected, Claims 2 and 4 were objected to and Claims 5-19 were allowed. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended and Claim 2 has been cancelled. Applicant requests reconsideration.

The Examiner objected to Claims 2 and 4 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 2, and Claim 4 has been amended for the sake of consistency. Thus, Applicant submits that Claims 1, and 3-4 are now allowable. No new matter has been added in the claims.

Claims 1 and 4 have been amended and Claim 2 cancelled leaving Claims 1, and 3-19 pending. For the above reasons, Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1, and 3-19. Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this response, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (408) 982-8202.

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